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Homeland Security Advisory System Current Threat Level

On August 10, 2006 the Department of Homeland Security issued the following announcement:

"The United States Government is raising the nation's threat level for the aviation sector to:

- Code Red or Severe for flights originating in the United Kingdom bound for the United States
- Code Orange or High for all commercial aviation operating in or destined for the United States.
- The rest of the country remains at Code Yellow.

Currently, there is no indication of plotting within the United States. We believe the arrests of extremists engaged in a substantial plot to destroy multiple passenger aircraft flying from the United Kingdom to the United States have significantly disrupted the threat, but we cannot be sure that the threat has been entirely eliminated or the plot completely thwarted.

Consistent with these higher threat levels, the Transportation Security Administration is implementing changes to airport screening procedures to include:

• No liquids or gels of any kind will be permitted in carry-on baggage. Items must be in checked baggage. Exception: baby formula, breast milk, or juice if a baby or small child is traveling; prescription medicine, insulin and essential other non-prescription medicines.

Travelers should also anticipate additional security measures within the airport and at screening checkpoints.

More detailed information available at TSA.gov. "(This Department of Homeland Security advisory is available on the Department of Homeland Security website at www.dhs.gov)

The Department of State continues to monitor security conditions overseas, and, as always, will promptly disseminate information affecting the safety of Americans abroad through its consular information program. These documents are available on the Department's Internet website at www.travel.state.gov.